

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
DIVISION OF ASSURANCE AND LICENSURE
OFFICE OF MEDICAL FACILITIES
SUBSTANTIVE POLICY STATEMENT
#SP-015-ALS-OMF**

**HOSPICE INPATIENT FACILITIES
CLARIFICATION OF PHYSICAL PLANT HEALTH AND SAFETY COMPLIANCE
REQUIREMENTS UNDER R9-10-816(A)(2), R9-1-412(A)(8), AND R9-10-104.**

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The purpose of this substantive policy statement is to clarify the physical plant health and safety requirements for a hospice inpatient facility licensed under 9 A.A.C. 10, Article 1 and Article 8.

1. Physical plant health and safety requirements for a hospice inpatient facility are established in R9-10-816(A)(2) and R9-1-412(A)(8) as follows:
 - Compliance with all applicable local, state, and federal physical plant codes and standards; and
 - For construction (as defined in A.R.S. § 36-401) or modification (as defined in A.R.S. § 36-401) of a hospice inpatient facility, compliance with those parts of the National Fire Protection Association 101 Life Safety Code, 2000, including Annex A and Appendix A only, covering *New Health Care Occupancies* and *Existing Health Care Occupancies* as required pursuant to the American Institute of Architects and Facilities Guidelines Institute, Guidelines for Design and Construction of Hospital and Health Care Facilities, 2001, Section 1, Section 3, and Section 13.
 2. A hospice inpatient facility shall demonstrate compliance with these physical plant codes and standards as required under R9-10-104.
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